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Inventor(s): Robert N. Phelps, et al.

Examiner: Joel Lamprecht

Application No.: 10/741,827

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Confirmation No.: 6172

Title: PROBE BASED DIGITIZING OR COMPRESSION SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MEDICAL ULTRASOUND

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Commissioner for Patents

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time in the above-identified patent application in order to keep this application alive. A response to the Final Office action was filed within 2 months from the final rejection. Therefore, this extension is for two (2) months and will extend the due date from March 2, 2010 to May 2, 2010 (mailing date of the Advisory Action was March 2, 2010). A response in the form of an RCE is enclosed herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. **19-2179** for the extension fee of \$490.00. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. **19-2179**.

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